# Daily Digest

**Highlights** 

The House passed H.R. 2219, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2012.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

Committee Meetings The Senate stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on No committee meetings were held. Monday, July 11, 2011.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 2458-2481; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 64; and H. Res. 343–346 were introduced. Pages H4792-93

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 2018, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to preserve the authority of each State to make determinations relating to the State's water quality standards, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–139);

H.R. 1938, to direct the President to expedite the consideration and approval of the construction and operation of the Keystone XL oil pipeline, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–140, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 398, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to toll, during active-duty service abroad in the Armed Forces, the periods of time to file a petition and appear for an interview to remove the conditional basis for permanent resident status, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–141, Pt. 1). Page H792

Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2011—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 340, the rule that is providing for consideration of H.R. 1309, to extend the authorization of the national flood insurance program, to achieve reforms to improve the financial integrity and stability of the program, and to increase the role of private markets in the management of flood insurance risk, by a yeaand-nay vote of 269 yeas to 146 nays, Roll No. 533, after the previous question was ordered without ob-Pages H4757-62, H4772-73 iection.

Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2012: The House passed H.R. 2219, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, by a yea-and-nay vote of 336 yeas to 87 nays, Roll No. 532. Consideration of the measure began on June 23rd.

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Rejected the Barrow motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 188 ayes to 234 noes, Roll No. 531.

Agreed to:

Huelskamp amendment (No. 77 printed in the Congressional Record of July 6, 2011) that was debated on July 7th that prohibits funds from being used to implement the curriculum of the Chaplain Corps Tier 1 DADT repeal training dated April 11, 2011 (by a recorded vote of 236 ayes to 184 noes, Pages H4767-68 Roll No. 528).

Rejected:

Flake amendment that was debated on July 7th that sought to reduce funding for Operation and

Maintenance, Defense-Wide by \$250 million (by a recorded vote of 39 ayes to 380 noes, Roll No. 525);

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Flake amendment that was debated on July 7th that sought to reduce funding for the Overseas Contingency Operations Transfer Fund by \$3,577,192,676 (by a recorded vote of 118 ayes to 295 noes, Roll No. 526);

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Flake amendment that was debated on July 7th that sought to reduce funding for the Research, Development, Test and Evaluation accounts under title IV of this Act by \$730 million (by a recorded vote of 100 ayes to 321 noes, Roll No. 527); Page H4767

Polis amendment that was debated on July 7th that sought to prohibit funds from being used to maintain an end strength level of members of the Armed Forces assigned to permanent duty in Europe in excess of 30,000 members and to reduce funding for military personnel accordingly (by a recorded vote of 113 ayes to 307 noes, Roll No. 529); and

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Kucinich amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used for military operations in or against Libya except under a declaration of war against Libya pursuant to clause 11 in section 8 of article I of the Constitution (by a recorded vote of 169 ayes to 251 noes, Roll No. 530).

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H. Res. 320, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on June 23rd.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, July 11th, when it shall convene at noon for morning hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

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Appointment of Members to Perform Duties of the Chair: Agreed that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period from August 8, 2011, through September 6, 2011, as though under clause 8(a) of rule I.

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Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012: The House began consideration of H.R. 2354, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012. Consideration of the measure is expected to resume on Monday, July 11th.

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H. Res. 337, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and seven recorded votes developed during the pro-

ceedings of today and appear on pages H4766, H4766–67, H4767, H4768, H4768–69, H4769, H4771, H4771–72, H4772–73. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

### Committee Meetings

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a markup of H.R. 2401, the "Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation Act of 2011." The bill was forwarded without amendment.

#### BANK EXAMINATION PRACTICES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions held a hearing entitled "Legislative Proposals Regarding Bank Examination Practices." Testimony was heard from George French, Deputy Director, Division of Risk Management Supervision, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Jennifer Kelly, Senior Deputy Comptroller for Mid-Size/Community Bank Supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and public witnesses.

## COMMUNICATING WITH THE PUBLIC DURING EMERGENCIES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications held a hearing entitled "Communicating with the Public During Emergencies: An Update on Federal Alert and Warning Efforts." Testimony was heard from Damon Penn, Assistant Administrator, National Continuity Programs, Federal Emergency Management Agency; RADM James Barnett, (retired) Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; and public witnesses.

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held a hearing on the following: H.R. 1505, the "National Security and Federal Lands Protection Act"; and H.R. 587, the "Public Lands Service Corps Act of 2011." Testimony was heard from Jim Pena, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest Systems, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Kim Thorsen, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Law Enforcement, Security, and Emergency Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.